

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS:

Tommy John was born on May 22, 1943 in Terre Haute, Indiana;

and

WHEREAS:

he was an outstanding basketball and baseball player at

Gerstmeyer High School; and

WHEREAS:

Tommy was signed by the Cleveland Indians and debuted in 1963;

and

WHEREAS:

he won 288 games during his Major League career, 164 victories

came after "Tommy John Surgery"; and

WHEREAS:

Tommy won the NL Comeback player of the year award and the

Fred Hutchinson Award for Outstanding Character and Courage;

and

WHEREAS:

it is that display of character and courage, along with his work

ethic and determination that make us proud to call him a favored

son of Terre Haute.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2013 as

## TOMMY JOHN DAY

in Terre Haute, Indiana, and I urge all citizens to join me in honoring this great athlete.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013.

Duke A Bennett, Mayor

TERRE HAUTE